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REMARKS

The application has been reviewed in light of the Office Action dated June 26, 2007. Claims 1-45 are pending. The Office Action indicates that claims 1-31 and 39-45 have been allowed. By this Amendment, claims 32-38 have been amended to clarify the claimed subject matter. Accordingly, claims 32 and 33 are presented for reconsideration, with claims 32 and 33 being in independent form.

Clairas 32-38 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as purportedly directed to non-statutory subject matter. The Office Action indicates that claims 1-31 and 39-45 have been allowed.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance in the Office Action and submits that the allowed claims recite subject matter which further supports patentability for reasons in addition to those identified in the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance in the Office Action.

By this Amendment, claims 32-38 have been amended to clarify the claimed subject matter. Amended claims 32-38 are submitted to be now allowable.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that the application is now in condition for allowance, and earnestly solicits the allowance of the application.

If a petition for an extension of time is required to make this response timely, this paper should be considered to be such a petition. The Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees that are required in connection with this amendment and to credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

If a telephone interview could advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney.

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